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HONGKONG, OCTOBER 26TH, 1907.

The American Secretary for War, Mr. Taft, since he has left Hongkong's hospitable shore for the more familiar environment of Manila, has done a great deal of talking, as was to be expected. The British parliamentary tradition lingers with Americans, who have a prodigious partiality for oratory, for what they think is eloquence. Sometimes this "infirmity of noble minds" leads to something suspiciously like the outpourings of a young man's debating club, and sometimes the necessity of saying something produces what we are obliged to call humbug. One remark that Mr. Taft has just made to his friends the Filipinos was to our mind quite unexpected and surprising. He dwelt on the necessity of the Filipinos learning English, and expressed a hope that they would acquire such an education as would save them from the weakness of following this or that man, and enable them to think for themselves. It was a virtuous wish, a noble and praiseworthy ideal, and we could, had we sufficient faith in its probability, pray for its realization in the case of people other than the Filipinos. But what a surprising ideal to emanate from an American from America, where the system of party government is carried to its greatest extreme, where "bosses" and other leaders conduct the mobs by their sonorous

notes, and where, if anywhere, the national interests are habitually sacrificed to those of faction. Was it not an eminent Bostonian who left on record his serious conviction that war was made on Spain for no worthier purpose than to keep a party in power? We do not mention these things in any pharisaic spirit. England is also party ridden, and we are still far from realizing the poet's dream of a time when none will be for Party, but all will be for State. It was party considerations pure and simple—or impure and duping the simple—which brought the Chinese coolies back from South Africa; it is nothing but party necessities that allows politicians to continue reviving the foolish hopes of the Irish nationalists; and it is probably sheer funk, and want of confidence in the existing majority, that threatens to thrust the people further beneath the intolerant heel of the testotal fanatics. Paradoxically, however, it promises to be in England a case of the more parties the better, for with the numerous splits now apparent, we see principles coming into their own again, and fewer sordid compromises. We would no more dream of attacking the party system than we would of defying a typhoon, for such things we know must be. The two original great parties were the Strong and the Weak, and we have watched the strife of their modified posterity, the Rich and the Poor, the Educated and the Ignorant, Capital and Labour, the Practical and the Impractical, and so on, without doubting for an instant that such divisions are natural and inevitable and possibly advantageous in the end, just as in the cosmic we must have light and darkness, good and evil, positive and negative. But it would certainly make the parties more vital and useful if their constituents were produced on Mr. Taft's formula, instead of growing like Topsy, or, as Mr. W. S. Gilbert has put it, being born little Liberals and little Conservatives. It is to be hoped the education which is being forced upon the Filipinos may have better results than it has had on the masses of England and—dare we say it?—of America. In both countries the mass of voters still prefer vicarious thinking. Last we seem to assert too much, let us call attention to the remarks printed elsewhere in this issue, made by an observer when the Americans themselves have been pleased to accept as trustworthy. Mr. James Bryce says that the increase of knowledge, of which American educationalists boast, has not meant an increase of intellectual vigour, and President Schurman, of Cornell University, U.S.A., says that though Americans are probably the most intelligent human beings who ever trod this planet, their intelligence is too much of the newspaper order, their knowledge superficial, inaccurate, chaotic, and ill-digested. He would have the rising generation trained to think, and not merely to read and perceive. Unfortunately, his colleagues do not all think with him. Another American professor, whose name, unfortunately, we have failed to remember, was quite recently advising his "freshers" or sophomores to "keep up with the procession," to "follow the band-wagon," and so on, meaning that they were to attach themselves to a party and work enthusiastically for that party through thick and thin. Already there is too great a tendency in both countries to join a faction as a bride is expected to join her husband, for better or worse, and we fear that too often, in both cases, the attachment is formed with as little thought. An immature Radical reads only the Radical papers, and would probably think it as wicked to study the Opposition propaganda as it is for a theological student to study materialistic or agnostic literature. Mr. Taft asked the Filipinos to learn to think for themselves, but somewhat discounted his own advice by warning them not to seek to divide Filipinos and Americans. Why not, if independent thinking brings a man to believe in the independence of the Philippines?

Two carpenters employed by Messrs. Panchard and Lowther were remanded yesterday on bail of \$100. They were charged with stealing three augurs and two hammers.

A rich coolie who ran into another was yesterday ordered by Mr. Hazeland at the Magistracy to pay a fine of \$2 and to pay \$3 compensation to the man whom he injured.

The German cruiser "Leipzig" arrived here yesterday from Swatow and fired the usual salutes on entering the harbour. She has a tonnage of 3,250, and her speed is 22½ knots. The "Leipzig" was completed this year.

The terms demanded by Raulil for the release of Sir Harry Maclean are of so impossible a character that they have been rejected by the British Government. His demands include the governorship of the whole of North Morocco, more than 3,000 square miles of territory, and an indemnity of over £110,000.

By kind permission of Lieut.-Col. W. Scott Moncrieff and Officers, the Band of the Third Battalion "The Duke of Cambridge's Own" (Middlesex Regiment) will play the following programme of music during dinner at the Hongkong Hotel, this (Saturday) evening:—

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Mrs. Bay is a scene of activity just now, the vessels of the China Squadron, with the exception of the *King Alfred* with the Admiral on board, being anchored there preparing for battle practice.

Leung Yau, of Tung Kien, master of an unlicensed junk was yesterday fined \$25 by the Harbour Master for attempting to leave the Colony without having obtained a clearance from the Harbour Master. He was also fined \$10 for failing to carry a masthead light.

The Indian who was arrested in connection with the death of a Chinese from the steamer "Japan" and brought before Mr. Melbourn at the Magistracy yesterday was discharged, there being no direct evidence that he struck the deceased. As already reported, there was a melee between the Indian and Chinese passengers on board the steamer as she lay at Singapore.

When Sir Matthew Nathan landed at Darba he was presented by the Mayor with an address of welcome. In acknowledging it Sir Matthew said that certain municipal duties had fallen to him during his stay in the East and it is his experience at any time would be of use to the municipality it would give him great satisfaction to be of service to them.

Under the heading "Social and Personal" the "Dublin Evening Mail" prints the following: "At a special Court on Saturday, M.D.—Labourer, was remanded in custody on a charge of assaulting his sister-in-law by striking her over the eye with a taspot." This kind of thing may, or may not, be "social," but it certainly sounds rather "personal."

Piracy still continues in the waters of the delta. Several cases have been reported to the Chinese authorities and the local police are not relaxing their inquiries with regard to others which have been reported to them. In the case of the piracy which took place between here and Macao less than a fortnight ago a claim has been made by one man that he is the owner of the junk found by the police at Aberdeen.

A coolie who had the impudence to break the strap of a door and enter a house in Station Street, Yamati, during the night of the 24th inst. and walk off with a pillow box value \$5 was found by a policeman who asked questions about the box and wanted to know where the key was. As he could not give a satisfactory explanation he was arrested and on being placed in front of Mr. Hazeland at the Magistracy yesterday on a charge of burglary was convicted and sentenced to six weeks' hard labour and six hours' strokes.

Practice real dances will be held in the City Hall from 5 to 7 p.m. on Monday 11th, Monday 18th, and Monday 26th November, in preparation for St. Andrew's Ball, Friday 29th November. Dancing shoes must be worn by all dancers. The Committee desire to draw the attention of members and friends to complaints lodged as to the inconvenience caused by the attendance of children at the practice dances, and, in consequence, request that children may not in future be brought on these occasions.

The navy and artillery has long been familiar with "the Hongkong target." They now have "the new Hongkong target," the invention of a local Major. It is a light structure consisting of three planes, designed to glide quickly along the surface of the sea. In recent practice the old diagonal course towed across the battery front has been abandoned. Two targets now approach the battery slanting from port and starboard, and almost meeting, quickly diverge, forming a course not unlike the "hot fire" figure in skating.

Prince Ranjitahji is about to be married, and his wedding festivities in November will in all probability be attended by well-known English cricketers. The Jan has invited Mr. Arthur Lilley, of Warwickshire, England's wicketkeeper, and Mr. A. C. MacLaren, the Lancashire amateur, to visit him in India, and they will leave about October 8. It is stated that several other prominent amateurs will visit Prince Ranjitahji, while Vise and Cox, the Sussex professionals, are going out to assist in coaching the Prince's native cricketers.

That the smuggling of arms into China continues with unabated vigour is pretty well known. The Hongkong authorities are doing their utmost to stop the practice but as the operations of the smugglers extend over such a large area it is hopeless to expect that smuggling will be altogether prohibited under present conditions. Yesterday at the Police Court a man who called himself a coolie but who refused to disclose his residence was brought before Mr. Hazeland on a charge of being in possession of four revolvers without a permit. He was fined the maximum penalty of \$250.

By kind permission of Lieut.-Col. W. Scott Moncrieff and Officers, the Band of the Third Battalion "The Duke of Cambridge's Own" (Middlesex Regiment) will play the following programme of music during dinner at the Hongkong Hotel, this (Saturday) evening:—

March "Entry of the Gladiators" Fuzik
Valse "Swing Song"..... Hollander
Suite de Ballet "Fantomas"..... Lacome
a. L'andee et l'habille.....
b. Scaramouche et Colombine
c. Pizzicato
d. Ballade.

The President of a San Francisco Chinese organisation known as the Six Companies has died of plague, as has also a Greek labourer. Since May 27 there have been twenty-four cases of the disease and thirteen deaths. Dr. Blu, the Government expert, who is in charge of the measures to combat the disease, says that there is no cause for alarm and that there is no necessity to impose quarantine on arrivals from San Francisco.

It is stated that the cabin rates which the White Star Line will bring into operation on Nov. 1 for West-bound traffic will be a serious reduction on the ordinary minimum winter rates. The feeling is that all other lines will follow these rates both in their New York and Boston trade, and that there is every prospect of a rate "war" this winter. Canadian lines have already at earlier dates than usual brought their winter rates into force for the East-bound trade to meet cuts by other lines, and, undoubtedly, they will be involved in the forthcoming struggle.

Last night with "The Dairymaids," the Bandmann Opera Company scored another success, and a good house fully appreciated the dairy country comedy. Mr. Cole was in excellent form as "Joe Mirons," the sailor, and caused much amusement as a chauffeur. Miss Georgie Corless, with her usual freshness, proved a successful dairymaid. This was, without doubt, the opinion of the audience, whose appreciation was manifested by continued applause. The other members of this excellent Company also acted well their parts, thereby adding fresh laurels to the well-known name of Bandmann, and assuring large audiences for future entertainments. To-night the great Daily Theatre success "The Cingales," will be staged.

The French public has received with resigned disgust the expelled news that the President has commuted the death sentences passed on Sollelland, who assaulted and murdered a little girl, the child of a neighbour, under circumstances of peculiar brutality. Popular feeling was so strongly aroused against the criminal that over a score of petitions were sent to President Fallières praying that the death sentence might be carried out, but the decision to commute the sentence was, nevertheless, generally anticipated. It is the general belief that the President's decision puts an end to capital punishment in France. Sollelland's crime was so revolting that if its author can escape death so other criminals, it is thought, need have the slightest fear of the guillotine. There is a Bill before the Chamber for the repeal of the law on capital punishment, and M. Fallières would seem merely to have disappointed what he believes will be the decision of Parliament.

After so many disturbances against the slowness of the British manufacturer, as contrasted with the "hustling" methods of his American rival, the report of the American Consul-General at Antwerp to his Government may be read by Britishers with pardonable pride. "The British manufacturer," he says, besides executing orders with exemplary promptness, is at the same time in a position to underbid the American house so that he gains the two points which in every case give him the preference. He speaks of cases in which urgent orders given to American firms by cable have not been executed from four to eighteen months afterwards, and the goods have been eventually delivered by a British house and paid for before the American manufacturer has even "thought of executing the original order." The fable of the hare and the tortoise is evidently not without its modern applications. The British people may be less demonstratively rapid in the business methods than Chicago and New York; but they sometimes get to their destination first, for all that.

The payment of the last instalment of the Tibetan indemnity, which falls due on New Year's Day next, gives additional interest to the conference which is about to take place at Simla between Sir Louis Dane, Foreign Secretary to the Government of India, and Mr. Chang, the Chinese High Commissioner. The principal subject for discussion is that affecting the trade regulations between the two countries when the Chinese next year resumes their suzerainty of the Chumbi Valley, now occupied by the British under the terms of the Lhasa Treaty of September, 1904. So far as can be gathered, the Chinese have no intention of allowing any doubts to be entertained in the future as to their sovereign rights over Tibet. The reorganisation of the Tibetan army, recently announced, is, it is believed, only part of a larger scheme of reform which the Chinese authorities have already inaugurated in Tibet. The great hope of commercial men in India is that this Simla Conference may settle the future trade regulations on a satisfactory basis. It is worth noting that one of the results of the Chinese High Commissioner's tour is the establishment of trade representatives at a number of centres and a colonisation scheme to settle young Chinese farmers in various parts of the country, of which a beginning has been made in the Baltong territory.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:—
On the 25th at 11.55 a.m. The barometer has risen considerably in Japan, the depression having moved away over the Pacific.

Pressure changes in other areas are unimportant. The highest pressure is over China to the North of the Upper Yangtze, and gradients are slight to moderate.

Fresh to strong monsoon may be expected in the Formosa Channel, and the N. part of the China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.03 inches.

The forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-day is as follows:—
Hongkong & Neighbourhood N.E. winds, fresh; fine.
Formosa Channel N.E. winds, strong.
South coast of China between Same as No. 1.
South coast of China between Same as No. 2.
Hongkong and Hainan.

TELEGRAMS.

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DISASTROUS EARTHQUAKE.

LONDON, October 25th.

An earthquake has occurred in Calabria, by which two hundred people were killed. One village was completely annihilated.

AMERICAN BANKS.

LONDON, October 25th.

The State Bank of Nevada and three New York banks have suspended payment. The United States Treasury has advanced twenty-five millions to stave off a general smash, and the position is to-day regarded as more hopeful. Messrs. J. D. Rockefeller and J. P. Morgan intervened successfully to prevent a panic on the Stock Exchange.

[REUTERS' SERVICE.]

THE SLUMP IN NEW YORK.

LONDON, October 23rd.

The Knickerbocker Trust has suspended payment. The announcement caused the worst demoralization which has occurred for months. Stocks were thrown over regardless of value. Meyer & Co., Stock-brokers of New York have failed for \$6,000,000. The Treasury has ordered \$6,000,000 of Government Deposits to be distributed among the leading national banks. The demoralization in New York has affected the grain market and there has been an enormous liquidation of Chicago wheat. President Roosevelt, speaking at Nashville denied that he was responsible for the crisis. He had turned on the light but was not responsible for what it had revealed, and he intended to unswervingly persevere in his policy.

LATER.

The situation in New York is little short of a panic. The Knickerbocker Trust suspends payment until the official examination is completed. The Pittsburgh Stock Exchange is closed at the request of the local clearing house. The slump in America is dominating the London market and affecting everything. It is expected that the Bank rate will rise to-day.

Mr. Cortelyou, the Secretary of the Treasury, has arrived in New York to restore confidence and after consultation with the Bankers, issued a statement that the Treasury would use facilities to assist legitimate business. He declares that the position of the National Banks is exceptionally strong.

THE VANCOUVER RIOTS.

LONDON, October 23rd.

The correspondence between Ottawa and Tokyo has been published in Ottawa. In reply to a telegram from Sir Wilfrid Laurier, assuring the Mikado that everything had been done to prevent the recurrence of the regrettable events, the Mikado says that he notes with much satisfaction the earnest intention of Canada to promote cordial and friendly relations.

THE SHANGHAI SHARE-BROKING CASE.

At the Danish Consular Court at Shanghai, on 18th October, before Mr. T. Rasmussen, Consular Judge, the case of Benjamin and Potts v. Gordons Nielsen came up again.

Mr. Loftus E. P. Jones appeared for the plaintiffs and Mr. M. C. Home for the defendant. Mr. Jones stated that plaintiff's books had arrived from Hongkong for inspection by the defendant, but since the last hearing a settlement had been arrived at between the parties and therefore the action would be withdrawn.

His Honour—Is that to be a settlement before the Court?

Mr. Jones—No, the settlement has been arrived at outside the Court.

His Honour—And you simply withdraw the case?

Mr. Jones—Yes.

In reply to his Honour Mr. Home said he had no objection to the withdrawal.

His Honour—What about costs?

Mr. Jones—Costs are included in the settlement. If the Court will let me know what fees are due I will pay them.

His Honour said he would allow the case to be withdrawn.

WOMAN, CAVIARE AND CAYENNE.

The, with its concomitant cake, a while since was considered a purely feminine institution. To offer women tea without a tempting array of saccharine goodies would have been to write oneself down unversed in the art of pleasing the sex. But "souvent femme varie." Diet specialists, the dread of obesity, anxiety to capture man "à l'heure du thé," and a growing masculinity of taste have all combined to drive—so to say—the sugary and plummy cake from the table in favour of stronger meats. The feminine palate of the present moment, irritated by cigarettes, is no longer satisfied with the dainty-pammy stickiness of the confectioner. Highly flavoured sandwiches, spiced toast, savories, and tea that may be described as caviare to the general, alone satisfy the modern woman. She is no longer content with cream, sugar has become an abomination to her, and charm the "confiscator" never so wisely with dainty cakes and confections, he cannot tempt her like the cunning deceiver of spicy sandwiches, the inventor of a subtle savoury, the discoverer of some novelty that shall lure the sportsman and the motorist alike to the fire or clock tea-table.

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LD.

The twenty-sixth ordinary meeting of shareholders in the Canton Insurance Office, Ltd., was held at the office of the company, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., yesterday afternoon. Hon. Mr. H. Kowick presided, and there were also present Sir Paul Chater, Messrs. G. C. Moxon, F. Maitland, H. P. White, E. Shellim (consulting committee), H. Percy Smith, P. C. Potts, Ho Kom-tong, Lo Cheung-shui, Ho U-shan, Fok Kam-yim, Chan Sam and Wong Leung-him.

The SECRETARY read the notice calling the meeting.

The CHAIRMAN said—Gentlemen, I presume that you wish me to take the report and accounts as read. The Working Account for the year 1906 has, as you will see, closed to date with a credit balance of \$486,959.27. This whilst not so good as that for the two last years compares very favourably with the results of a long succession of years prior to 1904. There is one feature of the accounts to which I would specially allude namely the proposal to inaugurate an Underwriting Suspense Account. As you know we are required by our articles of association to present our accounts before 31st October. In October, however, the Working Account of the year is not fully matured, and the policy of the Board for some years past (in view of the incomplete information as to the final results of the year that must exist at this date) has been to increase the amount carried forward so as to avoid the risk of paying away in dividends or of appropriating to the standing reserve of the Office a sum that has not at that date actually been earned. Last year's report you may recollect witnessed a larger carry forward than that of the preceding year which again was in excess of any of its predecessors. This year also the results enable us to give a further and more marked expression to this policy by carrying forward the greater sum of \$286,000 to hold in suspense against the outstanding claims for 1906 and former years. We propose however this year, with your permission, to carry this amount to a Specific Account to be called an Underwriting Suspense Account and when the working account for 1907 is presented the amount under the heading "losses and claims" will include only those claims that actually fall upon 1907 policies. Your Committee are also of opinion that it is to the advantage of the Office, whilst keeping the major portion of its funds at Reserve, to have a further portion in a more liquid form and the proposal to form an Underwriting Suspense Account affords a suitable opportunity to accomplish this and at the same time to initiate this account on a sound and substantial basis. By the transfer of \$115,000 from the Reserve we achieve this dual object and place the Underwriting Suspense Account at slightly over four lacs. I am afraid that this proposal has given rise to some apprehensions, or rather misapprehensions, that the underwriting results of the Office have been exceptionally unfavourable. I am glad that the existence of such a fear has reached me as it enables me to take this opportunity of stating that it is without justification and we do not estimate that it will cost more to close the year 1906, than to close 1905. Whether this amount of \$115,000 appears under credit of Reserve Account or Underwriting Suspense Account its nature as a reserve is unaltered, though under the latter Account it is a more liquid asset. With a reserve account of \$1,560,000 and our invested funds amounting in all to some \$3,000,000 I fancy that you will agree with me that our position is not unsatisfactory and we are glad to again recommend a dividend of \$20 a share. The investments of the Office invite I think little comment. Our Mortgages have been well reported upon by our Surveyors, and in spite of the depression in the property market are all in a satisfactory state while the values of the respective properties show good margins over the same advanced. Our Japanese bonds appear at the reduced book value, which is the result of the appropriation made last year, and they, as well as our U.S. Bonds now stand in our books at considerably less than their market value. Before proposing that the report and accounts as presented be passed I shall be pleased to do my best to answer any questions that shareholders may desire to put.

No questions were asked, and the CHAIRMAN proposed the adoption of the report and accounts as presented.

Mr. Ho Kom-tong seconded, and the proposition was agreed to unanimously.

Sir Paul Chater, Messrs. F. Maitland, H. P. White, E. Shellim and G. C. Moxon were re-elected to the consulting committee on the motion of Mr. Potts, seconded by Mr. Percy Smith.

The CHAIRMAN proposed that the appointment of Mr. A. R. Lowe in the stead of Mr. W. H. Potts as auditor, be approved, and that Messrs. H. Percy Smith and A. R. Lowe be re-elected auditors.

Mr. Shellim seconded, and the motion was carried.

The CHAIRMAN—Dividend warrants will be posted early to-morrow morning, gentlemen. I thank you for your attendance.

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The Apsar steamer *Arratoon* from Yokohama and Kobe left Moji on 24th inst. p.m., and may be expected here on or about 28th inst. p.m.

The N.Y.K. steamer *Kanagawa Maru* (European Line) left Singapore for this port on the 25th inst., and is expected here on the 31st inst.

The I.G.M. steamer *Prinz Waldemar*, which left here on Saturday the 19th inst., arrived at Yokohama yesterday at 8 a.m.

The Sikk. per R.M.S. *Empress of China* which left Hongkong on the 26th ult., and Yokohama on the 3rd inst., arrived in New York on Wednesday the 23rd inst., thus making a transit of 27 days from Hongkong, and 19 days from Yokohama.

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THE CAMPHOR MONOPOLY FAILURE

CRASH DECLINE IN PRICE.

There is no longer any doubt that the camphor monopoly has turned out a failure. When the Government inaugurated the monopoly in Formosa in 1899, the *Tokyo Kōzō* *Shasshi* points out, it ignored the production of camphor in Japan proper and in China, and proceeded to believe that by the operation of a monopoly in Formosa the camphor market of the world would be brought under control. It was declared at the time that of the world's annual production of camphor, 100,000 tons, the monopoly would produce 40,000 tons, to the amount of 100 million *kin*. Formosa was the leading producer, being far ahead of other countries. In Japan proper, it was avowed, nearly all the trees had been cut down, while in China, Java, and Borneo the production was so insignificant as to be a negligible quantity. The course of events has, however, proved the falsity of this anticipation. Since the operation of the monopoly the output of camphor in Japan, which had been nearly negligible, have practically ceased, has begun to revive, and its export has been going on increasing. Thus the export of camphor from Japan, which was only 1,300,000 *kin*, valued at ¥1,116,000 in 1896, had increased to 4,160,000 *kin*, valued at ¥3,900,000, in 1901; while the export of Formosa camphor, which in 1896 was 4,900,000 *kin*, valued at ¥2,244,000 had decreased in 1901 to 870,000 *kin*, valued at ¥780,000.

Surprised at this state of things, the Kaimoku Cabinet, in the 16th session of the Diet, at the instance of the Formosa Government, introduced a Bill providing for the operation of the monopoly in Japan proper. The Peers, however, never allowed the Bill. The Government then pressed forward a similar Bill in the following session of the Diet, and it became law. The pressing difficulty was thus surmounted. At the time it was predicted that the starting of the camphor industry in China and other foreign countries would eventually prove a menace to Japanese trade. As we have seen, the industry in China and camphor has now begun to develop, and Japanese competition in the European and American markets. The Japanese Consul at China, says: "The Chinese have begun to take a lively interest in the manufacture of camphor as a profitable industry, and it is spreading to the provinces of South China. Owing to the improvement in the method of manufacture, Chinese camphor now commands a price about five times greater than it was a few years ago. Last year's export from Foochow amounted to 1,000,000 *kin*. The great decline of the market experienced during May has given a blow to the manufacturers; nevertheless, it is estimated that the total output for the year will reach something like four million *kin*. During the first half of this year 1,350,000 *kin* of camphor had been exported from Foochow. Now, the yearly amount of camphor Japan has been supplying to the world is four to five million *kin*, and even though the demand for the commodity may have increased or less, it is not surprising that the prices should gradually decline when so abundant supply of Chinese camphor is taken into consideration. At the same time the trade in Japan, which was beginning to grow rapidly with the increasing demand for camphor, ceased expansion when the Government took it over and made it a monopoly. Before that date the export (in 1901) reached a value of ¥3,900,000; the year after the monopoly was instituted export dropped to a value of ¥3,100,000, and the following year ¥2,500,000. Last year there was recovery to ¥3,000,000 owing to the high market price, and it may be maintained. It is clear, however, that unless the world's demand for camphor greatly increases in the near future, or the Chinese industry is blotted out, it will become increasingly difficult for Japan to maintain the monopoly price.

CHURCH SERVICES.

ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL, Hongkong.—October 27th, Sunday, 22nd after Trinity. Holy Communion (7.30 A.M.). Matins (11 a.m.). Responses, Psalms, Hymns, Epistles, Pauline of the 27th morning. To Domn, Woodward, Smart and Turle. Benedicimus, Langdon; Hymns, 247, 161 and 230; Evensong (5.45 p.m.) Responses, Psalms; Pauline of the 27th evening; Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis, Maunier in D; Anthem, "No Shadow Yonder." Gaul; Hymns, 280 and 293; Sereford Amen; Voluntaries, An Ante in E minor. Bistate. Plenary.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, 123, Verses 1, 2, 7 in unison. 127, Verses 1, 2, G in unison. 138, Verses 5, 6, 7 in unison. 123, Verses 1, 2, 5, 6 in unison. 130, Verses 1, 2, 7, 8 in unison. 131, Verses G. P. only in unison.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, Queen's Road, West.—22nd Sunday after Trinity. Morning Prayer 11 a.m. Hymns, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 597, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 644, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, 652, 653, 654, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683, 684, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 692, 693, 694, 695, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 716, 717, 718, 719, 720, 721, 722, 723, 724, 725, 726, 727, 728, 729, 730, 731, 732, 733, 734, 735, 736, 737, 738, 739, 740, 741, 742, 743, 744, 745, 746, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751, 752, 753, 754, 755, 756, 757, 758, 759, 760, 761, 762, 763, 764, 765, 766, 767, 768, 769, 770, 771, 772, 773, 774, 775, 776, 777, 778, 779, 780, 781, 782, 783, 784, 785, 786, 787, 788, 789, 790, 791, 792, 793, 794, 795, 796, 797, 798, 799, 800, 801, 802, 803, 804, 805, 806, 807, 808, 809, 810, 811, 812, 813, 814, 815, 816, 817, 818, 819, 820, 821, 822, 823, 824, 825, 826, 827, 828, 829, 830, 831, 832, 833, 834, 835, 836, 837, 838, 839, 840, 841, 842, 843, 844, 845, 846, 847, 848, 849, 850, 851, 852, 853, 854, 855, 856, 857, 858, 859, 860, 861, 862, 863, 864, 865, 866, 867, 868, 869, 870, 871, 872, 873, 874, 875, 876, 877, 878, 879, 880, 881, 882, 883, 884, 885, 886, 887, 888, 889, 890, 891, 892, 893, 894, 895, 896, 897, 898, 899, 900, 901, 902, 903, 904, 905, 906, 907, 908, 909, 910, 911, 912, 913, 914, 915, 916, 917, 918, 919, 920, 921, 922, 923, 924, 925, 926, 927, 928, 929, 930, 931, 932, 933, 934, 935, 936, 937, 938, 939, 940, 941, 942, 943, 944, 945, 946, 947, 948, 949, 950, 951, 952, 953, 954, 955, 956, 957, 958, 959, 960, 961, 962, 963, 964, 965, 966, 967, 968, 969, 970, 971, 972, 973, 974, 975, 976, 977, 978, 979, 980, 981, 982, 983, 984, 985, 986, 987, 988, 989, 990, 991, 992, 993, 994, 995, 996, 997, 998, 999, 1000.

The Church launch, Daygiving, will call on ships carrying white crews, to bring friends ashore to the services, between 9.15 and 10.15 (Kowloon Police Pier 0.80 and 6), returning afterwards. All the sittings are free and unappropriated, Visitors welcome. Books, &c, provided.

Sunday School 10—10.45 a.m.

ST. ANDREW'S KOWLOON.—(Robinson Road, near British School.) Sundays—Holy Communion 1st and 5th Sundays in month at noon, 2nd and 4th Sundays at 9 a.m.; 3rd Sunday at 7 p.m. Morning Prayer and Sermon at 11 a.m. Evening Prayer and Sermon, at 6 p.m.; Children's Service (and Baptisms, if necessary) on 3rd Sundays, at 2 p.m.; Sunday School at 2 p.m. on remaining Sundays. Wednesday.—Shortened Evening Prayer with address, at 3 p.m.; Congregational prayer at 6 p.m. at 6 p.m. "Prayer and Communion" used and provided. All seats are free after the commencement of Service. Appropriated sittings are reserved up to that time only. Churchings before or after any of the services and Baptisms at special times, by appointment with the chaplain. The Church is open daily, and can be used for Prayer and Meditation.

ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH, Garden Road (Roman Catholic). Mass, Benediction and Sermon in English, at 10 a.m.

JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Messrs. Vernon & Smyth say in their weekly share report dated Hongkong, 25th October, 1907: "The market has been fairly steady for fair business in the first part, but a slackening off towards the latter part of the week. Rates remain without any important change, and the market closes steady. Exchange on London T/T 2/0 3/4, on Shanghai 7 1/2.

BANKS.—Hongkong and Shanghai continue steady with rates at \$685 (old) and \$680 (new); the rate in London remains unchanged at 276 for the old, and 275. 10. for the new share. Nationals without change or business.

MARINE INSURANCES.—With the exception of North China, which has been renewed at 72 1/2 ex dividend of 7 1/2, and the 23rd inst., we have no new report under this heading.

FIRE INSURANCES.—Hongkong have exchanged during the week at \$300, and China at 86, both closing steady with probable buyers at these rates.

SHIPPING.—Hongkong, Canton and Macao have been in demand during the week at 27½ and 28, and with no shares forthcoming the rate has improved at time of closing to 28½, with sales and buyers. New Star Ferries have improved to 11 with buyers, and Shells have receded to 42½ without business. We have nothing further to report under this heading.

REFINERIES.—China Sugars have ruled erratic, but the reported incipient firmness at the close of last week was not realized, and the market has ruled dull to weak closing with sellers at 104. Luxons remain unchanged.

MINING.—Rants have ruled weaker during the week, and with the exception of small sales at 9, we have nothing to report. Chinese Engineerings continue neglected and quiet.

DOCKS, WHARVES AND GODOWNS—Hong-kong and Whampoa Docks have changed hands in small lots at \$102, closing quiet at that rate. Kowloon Wharves and Amoy Docks call for no remarks. Shanghai Docks, after falling to 72 in Shanghai; close firmer at 74. Hongkong Wharves have declined in Shanghai to 195, chiefly owing, we understand, to weak speculative Chinese holders in Shanghai.

LANDS, HOTELS AND BUILDINGS.—With the exception of a few sales of Humphreys at \$103 we have nothing to report under this heading.

COTTON MILLS.—Ewos have fallen to 56 in Shanghai. Other cottons remaining unchanged.

MISCELLANEOUS.—China Borneos have been placed during the week at 104 and 10, closing with buyers at the latter rate. China Provi dents have ruled quiet at \$3.97, with small sales. A circular from the General Managers to shareholders intimates that a meeting is called to authorize the issue of the named shares of this Company, 100,000 shares. Commodities have been quiet to some extent at 114 and 115, closing with sellers at the latter rate. China Lights and Electric, also Ropes close in demand at quotations without any business to report.

COMMERCIAL CLAIM AT KYOTO.

IMPORTANT LAW SUIT PENDING.

According to a Japanese contemporary, a case will shortly come on in the Kyoto Court in which Mr. P. H. Wootton, manager of the American Trading Company, Kobe, sues Mr. Keisuke Yamada, owner of an ice-store in Teramachi-dori, Kyoto, for the sum of ¥43,277.30, balance alleged to be due on the sale of machinery.

said or misstated. According to the claim filed by Mr. Hirata, representatives of the plaintiff, in November 1901, the defendant, a machine-manufacturing company, was supplied by the plaintiff with a contract for the delivery of a steam engine to the defendant by the plaintiff company for ¥9,663 75 on the agreement that the defendant should pay the total amount in three installments. Defendant paid ¥3,000 in two installments, but the balance remained due. The term of delivery of the machinery was fixed at April 30th, and it was further agreed that if delivery was delayed the plaintiff company should pay the defendant ¥350 per day. The machinery was delivered to the defendant earlier than the stipulated term, and the defendant should pay the plaintiff at the rate of ¥100 per day.

As the mortgage deed was delivered on June 19, 1910, the defendant demanded from defendant the extra payment of ¥1,100. Further in January this year the plaintiff agreed to sell a boiler to the defendant for ¥13,050, which was delivered to the defendant, who, however, remitted the payment of ¥1,850, the sum of ¥9,100 remaining unpaid. The defendant also contracted to purchase from the plaintiff company 35 tons of calcium at the price of ¥63 per ton, and delivery was duly made in June last; but defendant had so far neglected to make payment. The hearing of the case will shortly take place in the Kyoto Court.

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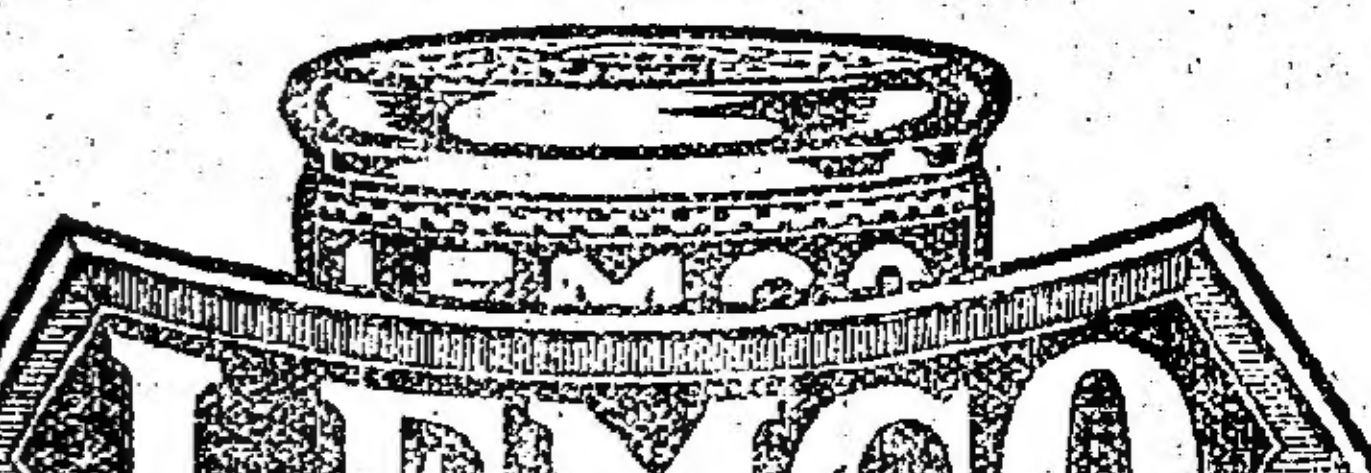
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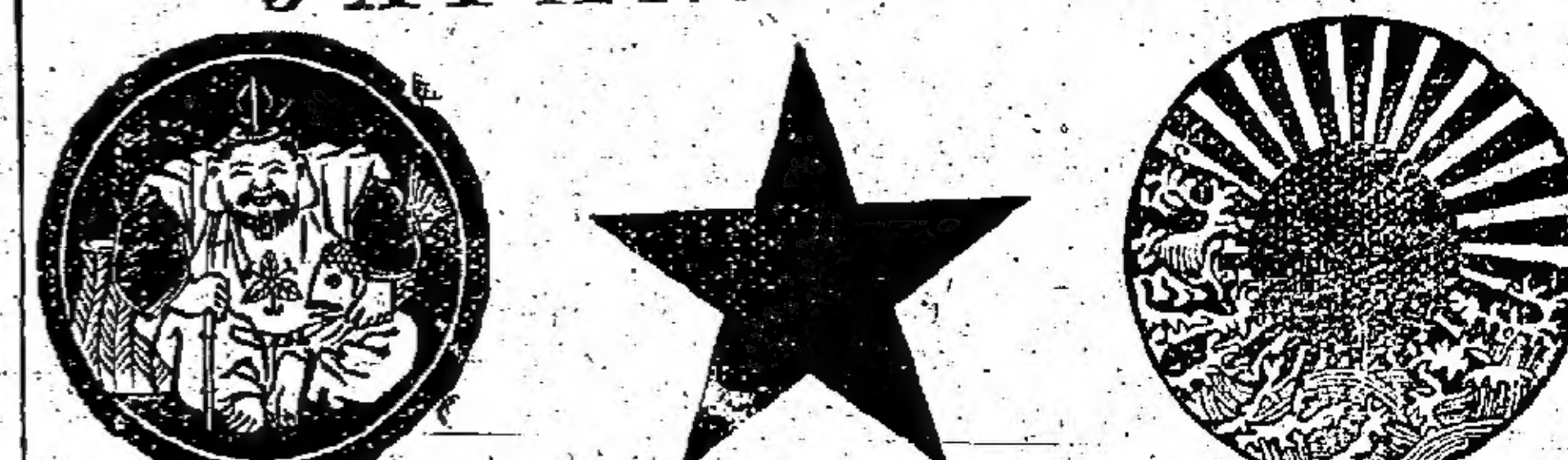
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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

CARL DIEDERICHSEN, German str. 774, T. Keyser, 24th October—Haiphong 20th and Hoihow 23rd Oct., General—Jensen & Co.

HEADLEY, British str. 2,712, Wm. Butler, 25th October—Keelung 23rd October, General—Arnold, Karberg & Co.

HELLIOPOUS, British str. 2,967, J. W. Martin, 25th October—Chinwangtao 19th October, Gibb, Livingston & Co.

KINO ALFRED, British cruiser, 14,100, Cecil P. Thrush, 25th Oct.—Woonung 23rd Oct.

LEWIS, German cruiser, 3,250, Eagle, 25th October—Swatow 24th October.

MT. NIKKE, British str. 2,584, Glegg, 25th October—New York via Singapore 19th October, General—Dodwell & Co.

NANCHANO, British str. 1,040, J. Mackenzie, 25th Oct.—Newchwang and Chefoo 16th October, General—Butterfield & Swire.

PENNA, Austrian str. 3,779, Craglietto, 25th October—Shanghai 22nd Oct., General—Sander, Weller & Co.

SHAOHIN, British str. 1,317, McIntosh, 25th October—Shanghai via Amoy 20th Oct., General—Butterfield & Swire.

TEAN, British str. 1,346, A. Somerville, 25th October—Manila 22nd October, General—Butterfield & Swire.

VANCOUVER, British str. 1,354, McDougall, 24th October—Newcastle 5th Oct., Coal—Arnold, Karberg & Co.

WASHING, British str. 1,170, Richard, 25th October—Yulu and Chinkiang 20th Oct., Rice—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOR MASTER'S OFFICE.
25th October.

Chinkiang, British str. for Ningpo.

Forestdale, British str. for Hongkong.

Gulf of Venice, British str. for Shanghai.

Leif, British str. for Swatow.

Newchwang, British str. for Canton.

Shanghai, British str. for Canton.

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Toku Maru, Japanese str. for Kobe.

DEPARTURES.

25th October.

D. G. N. Norwegian str. for Canton.

HAIKUN, British str. for Swatow.

IZHAK, German str. for Chinkiang.

LEIF, British str. for Saigon.

LONGGANG, British str. for Manila.

RYMANIA, German str. for Portland.

ST. GEORGE, Norwegian str. for Sandakan.

SUEVIA, German str. for Haiphong.

YATOFU MARU, Jap. str. for Singapore.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British str. Tean reports: Moderate monsoon weather.

The British str. Headley reports: Fresh N. E. breeze and following sea.

The British str. Shaoching reports: Light variable winds and the weather to Amoy from Amoy to Hongkong, strong N. E. monsoon, high sea and gloomy weather.

VESSELS IN DOCK.

25th October.

ABERDEEN DOCKS.—

Kowloon Dock—Deli, Manban, H.M.S. Virago, Soliman, Pronto, Petchaburi, Kinshan.

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SECTIONS.

1. From Green Island to the Harbour Master's. 2. From Harbour Master's to Blake Pier. 3. From Blake Pier to Naval Yard. 4. From Naval Yard to East Point.

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAMES	FLAG & REG.	BERTH	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON &c. via USUAL PORTS OF CALL.	DELI	Brit. str.	—	J. D. Andrews, R.N.E.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 2nd Nov., at Noon.
MARSEILLES &c. via PORTS OF CALL.	YARRA	Ger. str.	—	Seller	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	On 29th inst., at 1 P.M.
HAYRE & HAMBURG via STRAITS, &c.	HOHENSTAUFEN	Ger. str.	k.w.	Jager	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 30th inst.
HAYRE & HAMBURG via STRAITS, &c.	SILESIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Bahle	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 11th December.
NAFLES, GENOA, ALGERS GIBRALTAR &c.	ROON	Ger. str.	—	G. Meiner	MELCHERS & Co.	On 6th Nov., at Noon.
CONSTANTINOPLE, ODESSA & BLACK SEA PORTS	PERSEA	Aus. str.	—	P. Craglietto	MELCHERS & Co.	On 28th inst.
NEW YORK via PORTS & SUEZ CANAL	KIEW	Rus. str.	—	—	SANDER, WIELER & Co.	Quick despatch.
NEW YORK via PORTS & SUEZ CANAL	HEADLEY	Am. str.	—	—	ARNOLD, KARBERG & Co.	About 26th inst.
NEW YORK via PORTS & SUEZ CANAL	OCEAN MONARCH	Am. str.	—	—	SHEWAN TOMES & Co.	On 2nd November.
VANCOUVER via SHANGHAI JAPAN, &c.	SCHUTTEILL	Brit. str.	—	Anderson	STANDARD OIL CO.	About 1st December.
VANCOUVER via SHANGHAI JAPAN, &c.	MONTEAGLE	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 6th Nov., at Noon.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & TACOMA via JAPAN	EMPIRE OF JAPAN	Brit. str.	2 m.	—	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 21st Nov., at 4 P.M.
CALLAO and IQUIQUE, via JAPAN PORTS, &c.	KUMERIC	Am. str.	—	Cowley	DODWELL & Co., Ltd.	To-day.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS via PORT DARWIN &c.	KATHARINE PARK	Brit. str.	—	—	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	End of November.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS via MANILA	EMPIRE	Brit. str.	—	—	GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.	To-day, at Noon.
YOKOHAMA and KOBE	TAIYUAN	Brit. str.	1 m.	L. Dawson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 31st inst., at 4 P.M.
NAGASAKI & VLADIVOSTOK	PRINCE WALDEMAR	Ger. str.	—	W. von Soden	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 7th Nov., at Noon.
CHEFOO & NEWCHWANG.	PRINCE	Ger. str.	—	C. Lindbergh	MELCHERS & Co.	On 25th Nov., at 4 P.M.
CHEFOO & TIENTSIN	PRINCE SHIMMUND	Ger. str.	—	D. Lons	MELCHERS & Co.	About 15th November.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE, & MOJI	KOWLOON	Ger. str.	k.w.	T. Stohr	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	Quick despatch.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE, & MOJI	TAIJIWONG	Dut. str.	—	Jurriense	JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE	On 31st inst., at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE, & MOJI	NANCHANG	Brit. str.	—	Kenzie	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 13th Nov., at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE, & MOJI	JAPAN	Brit. str.	—	G. Hooker	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day, at Noon.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE, & MOJI	KWONGKANG	Brit. str.	—	W. P. Baker	DAVID SASSOON & Co., Ltd.	To-day, at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE, & MOJI	TONKIN	Brit. str.	—	Charbonnel	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	On 28th inst.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE, & MOJI	PRINCE LUDWIG	Ger. str.	—	C. Binzer	MELCHERS & Co.	About 29th inst.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE, & MOJI	CANTON	Swed. str.	—	—	MELCHERS & Co.	End of October.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE, & MOJI	SHOSHU MARU	Jap. str.	—	M. Nemoto	CHINA SHOSHU KAISHA	On 31st inst., at 10 A.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE, & MOJI	WAISHING	Brit. str.	—	W. F. Richard	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	About 1st November.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE, & MOJI	DEVANHA	Brit. str.	—	T. H. Hilde, R.N.E.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 2nd November.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE, & MOJI	SILESIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Bahle	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	About 2nd November.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE, & MOJI	FALEMO	Brit. str.	—	E. G. Andrews	P. & O. S. N. Co.	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE, & MOJI	NAMHANG	Brit. str.	—	P. H. Rolfe	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 9th Nov., at 3 P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE, & MOJI	SVRIA	Brit. str.	—	D. C. Gregor, R.N.E.	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	About 10th November.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE, & MOJI	DORTMUND	Ger. str.	k.w.	—	MELCHERS & Co.	On 20th November.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE, & MOJI	SIAM	Dut. str.	—	—	OAKA SHOSHU KAISHA	On 30th inst., at D'light
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE, & MOJI	FUKUSHU MARU	Jap. str.	—	T. Ito	OAKA SHOSHU KAISHA	To-morrow, at 9 A.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE, & MOJI	DAIJIN MARU	Jap. str.	—	I. Sakurai	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 29th inst., at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE, & MOJI	SHAOHIN	Brit. str.	1 m.	Eddy	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 29th inst., at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE, & MOJI	HAIMUR	Brit. str.	2 h.	L. D. Northcombe	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 1st inst., at 9 A.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE, & MOJI	YCHOOW	Brit. str.	1 m.	F. Northcombe	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 8th Nov., at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE, & MOJI	KIKUANG	Brit. str.	1 m.	H. A. Wavell	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 29th inst., at D'light
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE, & MOJI	SINGAN	Brit. str.	—	Jameson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE, & MOJI	TEAN	Brit. str.	—	E. Almond	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 29th inst., at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE, & MOJI	YUENKANG	Brit. str.	—	A. Somerville	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 1st Nov., at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE, & MOJI	ZAFIRO	Brit. str.	—	T. Mayrick	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 2nd November.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE, & MOJI	SUNGKANG	Brit. str.	1 m.	A. Frost	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 29th inst., at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE, & MOJI	MAUSANG	Brit. str.	—	G. H. P. Foster	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 7th Nov., at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE, & MOJI	BORNEO	Ger. str.	—	E. Houghton	MELCHERS & Co.	Beginning of November.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE, & MOJI	ONHANG	Brit. str.	—	P. Bembill	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 28th inst., at 3 P.M.
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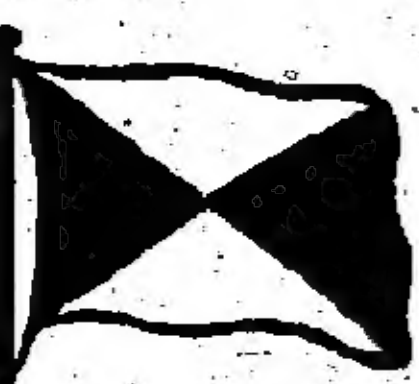
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SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA and KOBE	"SIAM"	Middle of November

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C. FELD LAETZ ... FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA ... 14th Dec.

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KOWLOON ... FOR NAGASAKI & VLADIVOSTOK ... 28th October
Freight and Passengers. 12

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MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

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Hongkong, 24th October, 1907. 3

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S.S. "TONKIN" ... 28th Nov.
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S.S. "TOURANE" ... 24th Dec.

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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS
SHANGHAI	DEVANHA	About 1st Nov.	Freight and Passage.
LONDON VIA USUAL PORTS	DELHI	Noon, 2nd Nov.	See Special Advertisement.
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBÉ	PALERMO	About 2nd Nov.	Freight only.
and YOKOHAMA	Capt. E. G. Andrews		
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBÉ	SYRIA	About 10th Nov.	Freight and Passage.
and YOKOHAMA	Capt. D. C. Gregor, R.N.R.		

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Superintendent

Hongkong, 23rd October, 1907.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO.,
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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
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HOIHOW and HAIPHONG	"SINGAN"	On 29th Oct., 4 P.M.
SWATOW and SHANGHAI	"SHAOHSING"	On 31st Oct., 4 P.M.
MANILA	"TEAN"	On 29th Oct., 4 P.M.
CEBU and ILOILO	"SUNGKIANG"	On 31st Oct., 4 P.M.
CHEFOO and NEWCHWANG	"NANCHANG"	On 31st Oct., 4 P.M.
CAINEN, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE	"TAIYUAN"	On 31st Oct., 4 P.M.
SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"YOHOW"	On 1st Nov., 4 P.M.
SWATOW and SHANGHAI	"KIUKIANG"	On 8th Nov., 4 P.M.
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MANILA, NEWGUINEA, BRISBANE, SAMARAI, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"PRINZ WALDEMAR"	Thursday, 7th Nov., at Noon.
YOKOHAMA and KOBÉ	"PRINZ SIGISMUND"	About Friday, 15th November.
KUDAT and SANDAKAN	"BORNEO"	Beginning of November.

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Hongkong, 24th October, 1907.

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No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 26th inst. will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underinsured on or before the 31st inst., or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 26th inst. at 11 A.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 21st October, 1907. [1893]

"MOGUL" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE STEAMSHIP "ATHOLL."

FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL AND
STRAITS.

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All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underinsured on or before the 20th November, or they will not be recognized.

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Hongkong, 20th October, 1907. 1893

BOSTON STEAMSHIP COMPANY

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "KUMERIC,"

FROM TACOMA, VICTORIA, YOKO-

HAMA, KOBÉ, MOJI, SHANGHAI

AND MANILA.

THE above Steamer having arrived, Con-

signees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for counter-

signature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

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DODWELL & CO., LTD.,
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Hongkong, 22nd October, 1907. 7

SHIPPING IN PORT.

STEAMERS.

ACARA, British str., 3,174, Wm. Hume, 18th Oct.—New York 27th August, Oil—Standard Oil Co.

BOURBON, French str., 827, Le Bail, 19th Oct.—Saigon 17th Oct., General—Chinese.

CHUNKIANG, British str., 1,325, F. Robertson, 20th Oct.—Newchwang and Chefoo 15th Oct.—General—Batterfield & Swire.

DAGNY, Norwegian str., 883, O. Abrahamson, 24th Oct.—Deli 17th Oct., Beana—Aagaard, Thorsen & Co.

DAIJIN MARU, Japanese str., 1,600, I. Sakurai, 23rd Oct.—Swatow 22nd Oct., General—Osaka Shosen Kaisha.

DELI, German str., 720, J. Lemp, 3rd Oct.—Bangkok 26th Sept., Rios—Molchers & Co.

EMPIRE, British str., 2,843, P. T. Hains, 21st Oct.—Kobe 16th Oct., General—Gibb, Livingston & Co.

EMPRESS OF JAPAN, British str., 5,940, H. Pryor, R.N., 30th Oct.—Vancouver R.C. 1st Oct., Mails and General—C.P.R. Co.

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HORRORS.

BY COMMANDER E. HAMILTON CURREY, R.N.

"Horror," said the Chief Boatman, meditatively, "is things I don't by no means hold myself, though there's a chap as I've known what'd run a mile to see anything what was nasty." The ineffectual daylight of a thoroughly wet and cold summer's day was merging into a rain-struck twilight, through which, as in a vision, the ship's great and small passed outwards to the sea and inwards to the river at the turbid waters of the rapidly-making flood tide. The Stranger sat in state in the armchair of his host's quarters, while the latter, pipe in mouth, stared seaward through the blurred window panes. "You have, no doubt," queried the visitor, "seen many horrors in your time?" The Chief Boatman mused awhile, and then answered slowly, talking more to himself than to the other man. "Ay, those that go down to the sea in ships, as the sayin' is, see sights what stops with 'em all their lives, sights what they'd pay handsome to forget sometimes. There was that day, it's more nor thirty years since, that I first saw a bad accident at sea, one o' them accidents what's called preventable, 'cause it was more or less the fault of one man alone; but what I says is that the sailorman what comes to overhaul the log of his memory and don't count one such score up against him, that man's got cause to thank 'is stars for it."

"Oneword bound we was at the time, and the frigate, in which I was serving, was fair rammin' through it; wind two points abait the beam, one reef down, and the foretopmast stuns'l set, when a man was sent aloft to do some job on the weather side of the mainyard. This chap 'e goes and does what no man had no right to do with the sea there was on that day: 'e starts and runs out on the yard; I was aft on the poop at the leadin' and me, bein' a youngster in them 'ays and leadin' and me, the mizen 'g't yard, and I soon 'im start to run."

"The officer on the watch, he sees him too, and slings out 'fore him, to lay out by the footropes—which was what 'e ought to 'a done—but it was too late; the man runs along the yard, and just when he gets to the yardarm and makes a grab at the lift, which 'e'd caught if 'e'd been quite safe, a big sea slips up abeam and, as it were, takes the yard clean from under his feet. 'Twice 'e turned over 'e fell, and then went under with a splash in the 'ollow between two big seas. I mind to this day how that there stuns'l boom cracked short off in the boom-iron, and the thunder of the flapping canvas as 'e helm was jammed down and 'e shot up into the wind, 'e took a big sea, green over the 'ammonock netting, downwind out the men what was rushin' on deck to shorten sail and 'ave 'e to; but the lifeboat was manned and ready for lovin' in something under forty-five seconds. Him that was overboard I seen from time to time, a white face, it seemed to me, lookin' desperate-like, and swimmin' strong but there was a lump of a sea on, and it looked as if 'e was gettin' weather."

The Chief Boatman paused and blew dense clouds of tobacco against the window pane; so long did he remain silent that the Stranger ventured to say, "And then?"

"And then," repeated the narrator, "is just what don't hardly bear talking about. To let the boat go clear, two pins had to be taken out of the alpinin' gear; one man whose duty it was to take out one o' these pins forgot to do so. The officer of the watch he sings out, 'Are you all ready to slip?' and the coxswain 'e answers, 'Ay, ay, sir.' 'Let go,' says the officer of the watch. 'They lets go in the boat, but the pin bein' in one fall goes clear and the other holds; the next moment the stern o' the boat was in the air, her bows was trailin' in the water, and thirteen men and the midshipman of the boat was struggle in the water alongside with oars, masts, sails, and all the boat's gear rainin' down on their heads."

"The ship was stopped by this time, and there was that went in from the ship for to lend a hand to them what seemed in trouble like."

"I have noticed you wear the sailor Humane Society medal," interpolated the Stranger. "Well, I was overboard in the light of a grass line, down 'at I could for the best part of half-an-hour," admitted the Chief Boatman. "But then, you see, my chum, 'e was starboard stroke o' the cutter, and 'e got a clip on the head from a fallin' car, so some one 'ad to fish 'im out, or why not me, what was on the poop? Anyways, afore we got clear o' that mess we'd lost the mid and four 'ands, besides the chap what went overboard to start with, 'e bein', you understand, his fault from start to finish; for a chap to run out on a yard in such weather ain't bein' smart an' sailorlike, but is actin' like a parishin' loony, what ought to be shut up in Yarmouth, where the naval loony goes to."

"As I was sayin' when I started, 'horror' ain't got no attractions for me, but the next one I seen comin' off shore not so very long after, at a port near Singapore, it seems to me," continued the Chief Boatman, "that there's mighty rum folk knockin' about this 'ere world of ours, and mostly of all colours—black, white, brown, and yellow. Mind you, in my time, I've seen a tidy lot o' folk go clean off their chumps, but mostly they was a nuisance principally to themselves; but for fair rampin', ravin', tearin', bloodthirsty madness there ain't no one to equal a Malay. Before what I'm goin' to tell you now I never knowed it myself, but one afternoon down in the Malay Straits, just showed me what some o' these here yellow perishers can do when he gets fairly on the job."

"It was an unconsidered sort of little party, like if I told you the name you wouldn't be none the wiser; but anyways, I can't 'cause I've forgotten it myself. There was some better-olde bungalows, where lived English and Dutch merchants, but mostly it was a collection of ruinous tumble-down shacks, built of matchboard-ing and masting, with awnings propped on poles stickin' out into the street. There was a 'hotel,' it called itself, kept by a Chinaman, where you could get Christian English beer, which stood in the main street, at a corner where another street came in at right angles, and here, under a vast shed awning, me and six others from the ship was sittin' about three o'clock one afternoon. It was very still, the mosquitoes droned round our eads, and the heat from the sandy street in front of us was that awful that not one of us seemed much inclined to talk, but just sipped our beer and shoved the matches around to any chap that wanted a light. Presently, down the dark street came a noise; at first it was like heavy hammerin', but it grew and grew until we heard men shoutin' and women scream, and a pack o' people runnin' in our direction. Then I hears a roar what sounds like 'Amok! Amok! Amok!' and in front o' the crowd I sees one man runnin'."

He was a big, muscular Malay, naked but for his silk sarong around 'is waist, 'is body all glistening with sweat in the sunlight, 'is teeth bared like a dog what wants to bite, 'is eyes just flashin' in 'is head like asseolights. In 'is right hand he 'olds one o' them Malay kris'es, which is long, snaky sort o' knives, an' it was red, red, red, with the blood drippin' from the point as he ran. All this takes a long time to tell, but 'e come along the street under forced draught, in a manner o' speakin', and a crowd runnin' behind him. Just twenty yards, or so short o' the 'hotel,' as he comes up, a big fat Chinaman steps out of a house to

see what the noise is. Very fat 'e was, and naked to the waist. The Malay what was runnin' amok catches sight of him, and was on him like a tiger; he holds the kris straight arm, and drives it clean through the Chinaman, and I seen six inches of it stand out of his back from where I stood. Down goes the pigtail, and the Malay 'e gives a sort of twist and a heave, 'as the kris out of him again, and runs straight for where we was. Tim Mulashy, what was one of our leadin' stokers, was standin' next to me. 'George,' 'e says, 'very quiet, 'I ain't a fightin' unit aboard the ship, and weapons,' 'e says, 'ain't in my line, but not wishin' to be spathecocked like that there pigtail, I takes cover in face of the outcry. With that he whips up the little three-legged table at which 'e'd been sittin' and holds it by the legs in front of him, and all of us does the same."

"It weren't very dignified, and that's a fact," continued the narrator, "to see what ought to 'a been six first-class fightin' men oppin' around outside the 'hotel,' each with a three-legged table in front of him, while mad Malay raced about trying to kill the lot. It was undignified and excitin'. Just then Stripsey, our sergeant of marine, come out of the hotel, and not knowin' what was up, sings out, 'Holy smoke, is this some new sort of a game, or 'ave you all gone mad?' The Malay 'eers 'im, as if 'e ain't got no table to defend himself with, and makes a rush. 'Mind his sword, Tom!' we all shouts, and Tom minded. Very pretty boxer 'e was, and astonishin' quick for a fourteen-stone man; he stands stock still the Malay's actually upon him. Then 'e takes just one pace sideways to the right, and as the madman goes by swings round on his left heel and lands 'im with 'is right fair on the ear; the Malay goes over and lies like a log, and then the crowd comes up and lashes him up like a steerage 'ammonock afore 'e comes to 'imself again."

"And what did you do?" asked the Stranger. "We puts down our protectin' tables, foras ourselves into a congratulatory party that none of us had'n't lost the number of our mess, and stands Tom Irons, the sergeant, as much beer as he could drink—*Pall Mall Gazette*."

LIFE AND WORK OF BURBANK.

LATEST ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE PLANT WIZARD.

Luther Burbank has been called a wizard, but the term is misleading, writes George Watson James in the *Circus*. There is no wizardry in his achievements. Yet to accompany him to his cactus patch and there see the great, heavy leaved desert plant, so covered with fierce thorns that even to stand near it makes one squirm and then to follow step by step, where, in different sections, he shows the cactus slowly losing its thorns, until you stand before a group into which he suddenly dives headlong, taking the great leaves and rubbing his face and hands against them—this does seem like magic.

It is even more pleasing and equally surprising to sit at his table and have served to you the fruit of this same cactus—the prickly pear of the Indian—but which has been changed into the tasteless, fibrous, sooty fruit to a richly flavored, juicy, delicious table luxury. In his garden not far from the cactus patch is his wonderful crimson rhubarb. Here is the popular pie plant, with stalks two inches thick, and growing all the time, winter and summer, so that the ubiquitous pie may be made fresh from the garden all the year around.

Are you interested in flowers? Then come and look at these gorgeous and splendid creations. Here are poppies, bed after bed of them, under test. This bed is about fifty feet square and there are about two thousand plants in it. Here are poppies the like of which were never seen before since the world began—hybrids, the results of crossings upon which Mr. Burbank has been working for years.

There are no two alike. The leaves are wonderfully diverse, and the whole foliage and blossoms bewilder us by their strange diversity.

Some of these poppies are vast in size. Seven of them placed side by side vertically are as tall as a tall man, eight as high as a giant, and one could hide completely behind a dozen of them. In color they are a mass of crimson and black and white, with many intermediates blending, and unlike the ordinary poppy, which blossoms only for two or three weeks, these are perennials and flower all the time.

The amaryllis also shows the marvellous life power of his work. In a few years he has developed it from a small flower with a few inches of breadth to nearly a foot in diameter, with every shade of crimson, pink, or scarlet and many astonishing combinations of color.

But to do this the whole plant—bulb, stem and leaves—had to be changed. It seems like magic to the ordinary mind to see the gradual transformation of a small bulb to one four times its size and five or more times its weight and with its power of multiplication increased eight to ten fold. To watch the development or creation of a new stem is equally magical. The old amaryllis stem could never have held these large new flowers, so a stocky, strong, low stem was created.

Burbank has taken the lily and worked wonders with it. I have stood side by side with him looking at a bed of lilies upon which he had worked for twenty-six years. "You are looking with me upon flowers that the eye of man has never seen before," he said. And then one by one he tenderly touched a score or more of them, calling attention to their wonderful colorings, differences in size, leafage, &c.

His achievements with the daisy are more fascinating than a fairy tale. From England, Japan, Germany, Australia—everywhere that daisies grow—he got seeds of the best varieties, not a few but hundreds, thousands. These were carefully planted and watched.

They were all going to be slain, out of their death was to come a new daisy, large, more beautiful, more hardy and that would flower in every climate personally. The result was his Shasta daisy, one of the most beautiful flowers ever seen—of clear brilliant white, great size, the centre of pure yellow resting upon slender yet strong stems.

Ten thousand seeds required for this one experiment? Yes, and often the ten thousand become fifty or a hundred or five hundred thousand before he gets what he wants. It is this large dealing that has differentiated Mr. Burbank's plans from those of other men.

He speedily learned that great results are not to be obtained from inadequate methods. The ten thousand daisy seeds were only a starter. Millions and millions of daisies were grown from these seeds, and it was only after the experiments were completed and the habits of the Shasta permanently fixed that the experimental plants were destroyed.

In vegetables he has produced equally wonderful results. As elsewhere related, the potato that bears his name was his first achievement. Tomatoes, forage plants, sugar beets have felt his magic touch to the great enrichment of the world.

To fruits his labors are startling. He has made a giant plum, rich and delicious in flavor, juicy, hardy, a prolific bearer and the largest known; his prune is full of sugar, larger, and more productive than the best of the old varieties. He wedded the plum and the

apricot and has given to the world the plumcot, which combines the hardness of the plum with the rich deliciousness of the apricot.

The same process has given us a quince with the flavor of the pineapple, thus increasing the fruit value of the former. He is working on the blackberry, and we shall ultimately receive at his hands a large, rich, luscious berry, two or three inches in length, almost seedless, with thornless bushes and a flavor rich and delicate.

On his proving grounds experiments by the hundreds of thousands are going on all the time, some of them not completed, though they were begun twenty and even thirty years ago.

Luther Burbank's early life in California was attended by many hard experiences. He was very poor and was obliged to take any work that came to hand. He cleaned out chicken coops, helped in market gardens, got an odd job here and another there, passed through a very severe illness, went on the tramp for work, until finally he was able to start a little nursery on his own account.

Then, all at once, he did something that made those who knew about it look at him. An order came for 20,000 young prune trees. Could he fill it in nine months?

He hadn't a prune tree on his place, and how was he going to supply 20,000 in nine months? He got together all the men and boys he could find to plant almonds for him. They grew rapidly. When they were ready he had 20,000 prune buds ready for them, and in a short time the prunes were budded into the growing almonds, and before the time was up the trees were delivered to the delighted ranchman.

And I have seen these 20,000 prune trees. They are growing to-day, and it is really one of the finest orchards in California.

Before he disposed of his business his returns were \$10,000 a year. Then he sold out. "What for?" "To take a holiday trip?" No! Now he was ready to give his whole life to the experiments he had been dreaming of for years.

But it is a well known fact of all history that the dreamer and experimenter is seldom a money maker. So it was with Burbank. His experiments were costly, soon his interest money was all gone. He began to use up the principal.

Year after year he worked on, now and again letting the world know of some new discovery. His fortune began to dwindle, yet he never faltered. He determined to keep on as his money held out, and then, said he in talking to me of this period:

"I was willing to begin over again if I had to. I felt sure I could earn enough to live on, and if not—if I had grown too old and feeble, Providence would see that I was cared for in some way or other."

In his method of working Burbank is quick and decided. It was my privilege to be with him during one morning in his proving ground at Sebastopol, some seven miles from his home.

Now after row of young plum trees, covered with fruit, stood before us. Two assistants were with us, one with a handful of white cords and one with a handful of brown or black ones.

"These are all grown from the same seed. Now see how they differ."

He picked a few plums from the first tree. Rapidly he looked at one, carefully tasted it, and said, "Kill." I had scarcely got my teeth into the first plum when he was on to the next tree and the next and the next, with a rapidity that was simply astounding. His keen eyes, trained to scientific accuracy, saw at what seemed to me to be one glance all the attributes of the tree. One taste satisfied him as to texture, juiciness and flavor of the fruit, and thus, almost in a moment, he had decided whether that tree was worth keeping for further experimentation or was to go to the bonfire.

Almost as fast as I can write it the words fell from his lips, "kill," "keep," "keep," "kill," "kill," "keep." The attendants followed and put on the white or black strings which denoted the fate of the particular tree.

A little history of the very beginning of Mr. Burbank's labors is sure to be interesting to those who like to know how the primary ideas of great achievements was born. He was but a youngster in New England when the first thoughts of plant development and improvement came to him. He saw that all the apples on the same tree were not exactly the same in size, color, shape, juiciness, flavor, or fibre.

He gathered from one rose bush roses that, while of the same species, were larger, smaller, redder, pler in tint, more fragrant, less fragrant than others on the same bush. Potatoes in the same hill were of differing sizes and quality and flavor, and so on. This led him to the conclusion that if, by selection or cross-fertilization, these better fruits or flowers could be stimulated the whole product would be improved.

While these thoughts were bubbling in his brain he was a market gardener and was growing potatoes, and he saw that out of a batch of potatoes in his field there was but one which bore a seed ball. He decided to experiment with the seeds.

When he came to pick the ball it was gone. In despair he was about to go away and give up when he decided to make a search for it. Soon to his delight he found it where, doubtless, some wandering dog had knocked it as he rushed through the garden.

The experiments began and soon developed the now world renowned Burbank potato, from which millions have been made and which has given cheaper and better potatoes to the world. Yet he sold it to a local seedman for \$150.

That was his start, and he was not yet 20 years of age. Then a sunstroke made a partial invalid of him, and all his life seemed to be changed. For his health he was shipped off to California, and here he had battles and struggles that would have daunted and discouraged any but the most determined and sincere.

To most people Burbank appears shy and reserved, almost to diffidence and timidity. He is shyness in a sense, but let questions be put to him about his work or his thought and his answers are as clear, sharp and decisive as those of any man I ever knew. There is no aggressiveness or self assertiveness, but a definiteness and clarity that show he has thought long and deeply and come to all his conclusions for himself, yet he has the spirit of a boy.

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